

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 29, 2006

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 24, 2006

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 10, 2006

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY AUGUST 7, 2006

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 11, 2006

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 2, 2006

## **SENATE BILL**

**No. 1696**

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**Introduced by Senator Dunn**

February 24, 2006

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An act relating to the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

### LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1696, as amended, Dunn. Los Angeles County Superior Court: employees.

Existing law provides that each trial court may establish a salary range for each of its employee classifications, and considerations shall include, but are not limited to, local market conditions and other local compensation-related issues such as difficulty of recruitment or retention.

This bill would require the Los Angeles County Superior Court to pay each employee in a bargaining unit represented by any specified employee organization an amount equivalent to the additional amount the employee would have received if the reclassification raise the employee received on October 1, 2005, had been retroactive to August 1, 2005.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. The Los Angeles County Superior Court shall  
2 pay each employee in a bargaining unit represented by any of the  
3 following employee organizations an amount equivalent to the  
4 additional amount the employee would have received if the  
5 reclassification raise the employee received on October 1, 2005,  
6 had been retroactive to August 1, 2005:

7 (a) American Federation of State, County and Municipal  
8 Employees Local 276, Mediators and Evaluators.

9 (b) American Federation of State, County and Municipal  
10 Employees Local 575, The Los Angeles County Superior Court  
11 Clerks Association.

12 (c) American Federation of State, County and Municipal  
13 Employees Local 910, The Los Angeles Superior Court Legal  
14 Professional Unit.

15 (d) American Federation of State, County and Municipal  
16 Employees Local 3271, The Los Angeles Superior Court  
17 Professional Employees.

18 (e) American Federation of State, County and Municipal  
19 Employees Local 3302, The Los Angeles Superior Court  
20 Clerical.

21 ~~SEC. 2. Due to the unique circumstances of the Los Angeles~~  
22 ~~County Superior Court in which many of their employees are~~  
23 ~~labeled as “limited term” when, in fact, they occupy regular,~~  
24 ~~continuous positions, and their law clerks are kept for longer than~~  
25 ~~180 days but receive only the benefits of temporary employees~~  
26 ~~and are systematically terminated at the end of their two-year~~  
27 ~~limited terms, the Legislature hereby finds and declares that a~~  
28 ~~general statute cannot be made applicable within the meaning of~~  
29 ~~Section 16 of Article IV of the California Constitution.~~  
30 ~~Therefore, the special legislation contained within Section 1 of~~  
31 ~~this act is necessarily applicable only to the Los Angeles County~~  
32 ~~Superior Court.~~